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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits an English language Abstracts for JP 54-71590. Additionally, Applicant submits a partial translation for JP 55-3834 and for the article entitled

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"Outline of Semiconductor Device". Also, Applicant submits machine translations for JP 6-237012 and JP 2003-243302.

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Additionally, in compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant states that CA 1095154 corresponds to JP 53-20882.

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